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In re divisional patent application of 09/080,319

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For: CONTROL OF A SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING A STREAM OF INFORMATION
BASED ON INFORMATION CONTENTAssistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:Page 1, before line 3, insert The present Application is a Divisional Application of

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/080,319, filed on May 15, 1998.

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A segment announcement receiver comprising:
- a receiver section for receiving a signal;
- one or more content streams carried on the signal;
- one or more announcements carried on the signal, the announcement containing a description about one or more of the content streams, a time at which the content stream is received on the carrier signal, and a content stream identifier, said one or more announcements being selectively added to said signal by a broadcaster of said signal and selectively by a party other than said broadcaster; and
- a controller that performs a function determined by the description and the time.